FISCAL NOTE HB 3035 - SB 3224

March 26, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits payroll deductions by public employers for anything except: taxes, donations to charitable organizations, savings, insurance and other similar benefits. The bill would also require written authorization for deductions and certification of all parties that receive deducted funds.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$116,000 One-Time
Exceeds \$40,000 One-Time FY04-05
Exceeds \$23,000 Recurring FY05-06

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Exceeds \$100,000 Recurring

Other Fiscal Impact - The state currently plans to move to electronic enrollment in deferred compensation and retirement plans. This move is expected to result in a savings to the state exceeding \$125,000 annually. According to the provisions of this bill, this change would not be allowed. Therefore, there would be an unrealized savings to the state exceeding \$125,000 annually.

Estimate assumes:

- The one-time expenditures associated with this bill are for systems changes required by the Department of Finance and Administration.
- Increases in state expenditures for FY04-05 are for the cost to certify recipients of deductions, the cost of collection for overpayment on employee pay and maintenance payment deductions. It is assumed that an amount exceeding \$5,000 that is currently collected through payroll deductions would go uncollected.
- Increases in state expenditures for FY05-06 and thereafter are for certification of recipients of deductions, the cost of collections for overpayment on employee pay and maintenance payment deductions, an amount exceeding \$5,000 that is currently collected through payroll deductions that would go uncollected.
- The state would not be able to follow through on plans to move to electronic enrollment in deferred compensation and retirement plans. The combined savings of such a change was expected to result in a savings to the state exceeding \$125,000 annually.
- Increases in local government expenditures would also occur for systems changes, certification costs, collections efforts, and other costs associated with the implementation of the provisions of this bill.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White. Executive Director